

**ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Policy Committee Meeting**

R E V I S E D A G E N D A

**June 12, 2018
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

RONDOUT MUNICIPAL CENTER

(Joint Rosendale/Marbletown Town Hall -- Former Rosendale Elementary School)
1915 Lucas Avenue
Cottkill, NY 12419
Room M-15

- 1. Policy Committee Call to Order – Roll Call (10:00am)**
- 2. Call for Citizen Comments**
- 3. Approval of the February 28, 2018 Policy Committee and May 1, 2018 Special Session meeting summaries**
- 4. Communications and Announcements**
- 5. New Business**

- a) **UCTC Resolution 2018-06: Apportionment of Unallocated Federal Fiscal Year 2014 and 2015 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Capital Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.** In November of 2017, UCTC in conjunction with Dutchess County Transportation Council and Orange County Transportation Council, in their cooperative functions representing the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area, issued a call for projects for unallocated Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds. Three applications were received and reviewed by the MPOs with input and oversight from NYSDOT Region 8 Transit staff. The TMA selected one project for full funding, one project for partial funding, and one project for funding contingent on further study. In addition, discretionary funding was made available to public transit providers within each county for regional transit innovation or planning projects of their choice. Award details and project descriptions are provided in Attachment 1 of Draft Resolution 2018-06, which authorizes distribution of the awards to the respective applicants.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2018-06 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (30 minutes).

- b) **Resolution 2018-07: Amendment to the 2018 UCTC Unified Planning Work Program.** UPWP Project 44.23.02-03: Route 9W Corridor Study commenced in March 2017 with anticipated date of project completion March 31, 2018. The project was on schedule through January 2018 and staff anticipated full completion prior to the close of the State Fiscal Year. As such, the project was not included in the 2018 UPWP. Additional project needs were later identified after detailed review of the draft plan. UCTC staff in consultation with NYSDOT staff and the Technical Advisory Committee determined that additional, minor tasks would be preferred in order to successfully close the project. Project consultants BFJ Planning were asked to provide a scope of work for additional tasks to include:
1. Preparation of 7 examples of streetscape improvements and driveway consolidations to raise awareness of access management
 2. Attendance at an additional meeting

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3. Preparation of Rte 9W conceptual drawings to show the proposed lane reconfiguration of the study area
4. Undertake capacity and Level of Service analysis for 3 segments on the study area to determine potential impacts of any lane configuration.

The cost proposal submitted by BFJ to perform these additional tasks was \$10,885. UCTC therefore requests an amendment to the 2018/19 UPWP to re-program project 44.23.02-03: Route 9W Corridor Study to the 2018 UPWP and transfer the necessary funds from the unprogrammed balance as shown in Attachment 1 of Resolution 2018-07. Amendment to the UPWP adding a new project requires approval by the Technical Committee, 15 day public comment and review period, followed by UCTC Policy Committee approval.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2018-07 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (15 minutes).

- c) **Resolution 2018-08: Performance Management Agreement between the Ulster County Transportation Council, New York State Department of Transportation, and Ulster County Area Transit and Kingston Citibus.** Draft Resolution 2018-08 seeks to address the planning requirements identified in the final rule on metropolitan and statewide planning published in the Federal Register on May 27, 2016. This final rule addresses changes to the metropolitan planning process stemming from Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST) including Performance Based Planning and Programming. It provides that States, MPOs, and providers of public transportation must jointly agree upon and develop specific written provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to transportation performance data, the selection of performance targets, the reporting of performance targets, the reporting of performance to be used in tracking progress toward attainment of critical outcomes for the region of the MPO, and the collection of data for the State asset management plan for the National Highway System (NHS). The Chair of the MPO, NYSDOT, and both public transit providers must be signatories to this resolution.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2018-07 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (20 minutes).

- d) **Resolution 2018-09: Amendment to the UCTC Federal Fiscal Year 2017 – 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Document Narrative to Address Safety Performance Targets as Shown in Attachment 1.** Draft Resolution 2018-09 seeks to address the planning requirements identified in the final rule on metropolitan and statewide planning published in the Federal Register on May 27, 2016. This final rule addresses changes to the metropolitan planning process stemming from Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST) including Performance Based Planning and Programming. The final rule provides that updates and amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program completed after May 27, 2018 must be compliant with the updated metropolitan and statewide planning rule addressing FHWA safety performance measures and targets. This resolution seeks to address that provision by amending the UCTC TIP to include language that addresses Safety Performance Targets as shown in Attachment 1.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2018-09 and consider forwarding to the Policy Committee for consideration and adoption (20 minutes).

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- e) **Resolution 2018-10: Distribution of the FFY 2017 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Urbanized Area Apportionments Attributable to the Kingston Urbanized Area.** This resolution seeks approval for the apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307/5340 formula funds to the two designated recipients (DRs) in Ulster County: City of Kingston (Kingston Citibus) and Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit). The full year FY 2017 Section 5307/5340 Urbanized Area Formula Appropriations makes \$964,486 available to DRs; a 50/50 split of the funds has been agreed to by both parties.

Recommended Action: Discuss Resolution 2018-10 and consider adoption (10 minutes)

- f) **Resolution 2018-11: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.** This resolution seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2017 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). This action is a routine occurrence that takes place after the FTA apportions 5307 funds to the TMA (UZA 89) and NY and NJ come to an agreement on a fair and rational sub-regional allocation. FTA Section 5307 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Dutchess Transportation Council (DCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients. The OCTC and DCTC must approve similar resolutions. For FFY 2017, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will return its formula allocation of \$447,553 to the Unallocated balance as repayment for a temporary loan provided under UCTC Resolution 2018-04. Private commuter bus carriers in Ulster (ADK Trailways) will receive \$2,206,229.

Recommended Action: Discuss the Resolution 2018-11 and consider for adoption (10 minutes).

- g) **Resolution 2018-12: Apportionment of Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Formula Funds in the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area.** Resolution 2018-12 seeks approval for the allocation of FFY 2017 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 formula funds in the three-county Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). These funds stem from federal authorizations to the TMA (UZA 89) under the Bus and Bus Facilities Program. FTA Section 5339 funds flow to the TMA, responsibility for which is shared by three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs): the UCTC, Orange County Transportation Council (OCTC), and Poughkeepsie-Dutchess Transportation Council (PDCTC). The three Councils must first agree to the TMA allocation, prior to distributing the transit funds to their respective designated recipients. The OCTC and PDCTC must approve similar resolutions. For FFY 2017, Ulster County (Ulster County Area Transit) will receive a total of \$178,659.

Recommended Action: Discuss the Resolution 2018-12 and consider for adoption (10 minutes).

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6. Other/Old Business

- a) **NYS DOT Pedestrian Safety Action Plan Call for Local Projects.** NYS DOT indicated that a 'fair share' of \$0.530m in HSIP dollars would be provided to Ulster County from the Region 8 allocation for successful local project applications. One PSAP application was received by NYS DOT from the City of Kingston. NYS DOT indicated that the project cost of eligible projects in Kingston's application totaled \$0.715. UCTC has coordinated directly with the applicant to refine the list of final projects to be submitted to NYS DOT for review.

- b) **UCTC 2017 Transportation Improvement Program – Block Program Bridge and Paving PINs.** The 2017 – 2021 TIP included two "block program" PINs utilizing surplus allocations of STP FLEX and STBG Off-System Bridge funds. Funds in FFYs 17 & 18 were distributed in 2017. UCTC made funds in FFYs 19 & 20 available to eligible Ulster County municipalities through direct solicitation to the MPO. Deadline for applications was January 25, 2018. UCTC staff will provide an update regarding status of funds and program of projects.

- c) **NYS DOT 2018 TAP/CMAQ.** The New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) is making funding available to support bicycle, pedestrian, multi-use path and non-motorized transportation-related projects as well as programs and projects that reduce congestion and improve air quality. More information and resources can be found at <https://www.dot.ny.gov/tap-cmaq>. Deadline for applications is August 16, 2018

- d) **Project Updates:** Staff will provide a brief update for several ongoing or recently-completed UCTC planning projects, including: Route 9W Corridor Management Plan; Road Safety Audits; Transit System Integration; and Kingston Signage and Wayfinding.

7. Adjournment.